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<u>REMARKS</u>

Claims 1-13, 21, and 22 are pending in the application upon entry of the amendments. Favorable reconsideration in light of the amendments and the remarks which follow is respectfully requested.

The Amendments and Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner's indication that claims 1-13, 21, and 22 contain allowable subject matter is noted with appreciation. Claims 14-20 have been cancelled thereby placing the application in condition for allowance. Entry of the amendments is therefore respectfully requested.

The Obviousness Rejection

Claims 14-20 remain rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Mitwalsky et al (U.S. Patent 5,789,302) in view of Doerr (U.S. Patent 6,219,471). Claims 14-20 have been cancelled rendering this rejection moot.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone interview would be helpful to expedite favorable prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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Respectfully submitted,

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